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Head Quarters District of Middle Fla.
Tallahasse Augst. 10, 1865

Captain

I would respectfully request that an order be issued detaching Lieut. G H Bomford 7th U S Infty., from his regiment and ordering him to report to me for duty, his services are very much needed as Actg. Inspector Gen. of this District.

Very Respectfully

Your Obt. Sevt.

Brig. Gen. Comg.
(John Newton)

Capt. F C Woodruff
A. A. A. G.
Head Qrs., Dept., of Fla.

Head Quarters District of Middle Florida
Tallahassee Fla., Augt 10, 1865

Colonel

The General Commanding directs that you send the steamer Ella Moss back to St. Marks immediately with the two companies of 161st New York Vol. and all detached men belonging to that regiment who may be serving at your post. You will instruct the commanding officer of the detachment to bring his command to this post by first train of cars that leaves St. Marks after his arrival.

I am Colonel
Very Respectfully
Your Obt Sevt.
J S Ranson

Capt. And A. A. A. G.

Col. L. L. Zularski
Com'g Post
Appalachicola

Apr 25 1938

Head Quarters Dist. of Middle Florida
Tallahassee Augt. 10, 1865.

Colonel

If you have not already done so you will send two companies of the 82nd U. S. C. I. to Chattahoochee to guard the arsenal at that place.

By Order of

Brid. Gen. Newton
J S Ranson
Capt. and A. A. A. G.

Head Quarters Dist of Middle Fla.
Tallahassee Fla. Augt 10, 1865

Commanding Officer
Detachment 1st Fla. Cav.
St. Marks

Sir:

You will march with your command as soon as they are disembarked to Six Mile Pond on the Tallahassee and St. Marks R. R., where you will go into camp, reporting your arrival to these Head Quarters.

All surplus baggage can be sent by Rail Road.

By order of

Brig Gen Newton
J. S. Ranson
Capt and A. A. A. G.

Apr 25 1938

Headquarters Dist. of Middle Fla.
Tallahassee Augt. 5, 1865

Major

I have the honor to enclose herewith monthly return of the Dept. of Florida for July during which time I was in command. The report is incomplete in some respects. Owing to the remoteness of Dist. Hd. Qrs. from these Hd. Qrs. it was impossible to obtain correct returns without great delay

very Respty

Your Obt. Sevt.,

Brig. Gen Com'g

Maj. Gen. Lee
A. A. G.
Hd Qrs Mil. Div. of the Gulf
New Orleans La.

Head Qrs. Dist. Middle Fla.
Tallahassee Augt. 11, 1865

Sir.

You will, upon receipt of this order, cause the restrictions on shipments of cotton by the treasury agent to be removed.

Capt. S G. Cabell having filed his papers of Jurisdiction as far as the Suwannee River will be allowed the exclusive privilege of shipping cotton from the Suwannee River westward in the Dist. Middle Fla.,

By Command of Brig. Gen. Newton

A. C. Prety
1st Lieut. and A. A. A. G.

Comdg. Officer Quincy.
" " St Marks.
" " Madison.
Quarter Master Tallahassee
One for information Mr. Ottaman, Jacksonville

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Head Qrs. Dist. Middle Fla.
Tallahassee Augt 12, 1865

Major:

The General Commanding directs that you immediately report to him in person for assignment to duty at these Head Qrs. The Steamer McCallum which conveys these orders will return to St. Marks at once and you can come on her.

Very Respectfuly

J. S. Ransom
Capt and A. A. A. G.

Major L. F. Dewey.
2nd U. S. C. I.
The Com'g. Officer
Dist. of Key West.

Head Qrs. Dist. of Middle Florida
Tallahasse Augt. 12, 1865

Lieut:

The steamer Gen. McCallum will be ordered to leave for Key West tomorrow. I understand from the purser that she will require some wood. You will therefore send a train down tomorrow to take eight or ten cords of wood to St. Marks for her use.

By Order of Brig. Gen., Newton

J S Ransom
Capt and A. A. A. G.

Lt. Hutchinson
A. A. G. M.

P. S. if you cannot obtain so much wood, five cords will do.

J. S. R.

Apr 25 1938

Head Qrs. Dist. of Middle Fla
Tallahassee Augt 12 1865

Captain:

I have the honor to report to you that the term of service of the 161st New York Vol. who are now stationed at Fort Jefferson (Dry Tortugas) expires Oct. 27th. I would therefore request that a regiment be sent to that post at once to relieve them. It is important that this regiment be composed of white troops.

Very Respectfuly
Your Ob't. Serv't.

Capt. E C. Woodruff
A A A G.
Hd Qrs. Dept. of Fla.

Capt and A. A. A. G.

Head Qrs. Dist. of Middle Fla.
Tallahassee Augt. 12th 1865

Sir:

As soon as relieved by a company of the 2nd U. S. C. I. from Key West you will at once embark on the Steamer Gen. McCallum with your command, and proceed to St. Marks, reporting your arrival there, to these Head Qrs. when further orders will be given you.

By Command of
Brig. Gen., Newton
J. S. Ransom
Capt. and A. A. A. G.

Com'g Officer
Post at Tampa Fla

Head Qrs. Dist. of Middle Fla
Tallahassee Augt 12 1865

Commanding Officer
Sub District of Key West

Sir

Immediately u on the receipt of this communication you will at once place on board the Steamer Gen. McCallum the largest company of the 2nd U. S. C. I. now at Key West, with a full complement of Officers and send them to Tampa to relieve the garrison at that place. This company will take with them 120 rounds of ammunition which must be stored (excepting such as is in cartrige boxes) in a secure and safe place in Tampa. You will also direct Major Dewey 2nd U. S. C. I. to return on the McCallum and report in person to the commanding Genl. at these Hd Qrs. You will not delay the steamer a moment longer than necessary, as it is important that she should return here without delay.

By order of
Brig. Genl. Newton

J. S. Hanson
Capt. and A. A. A. G.

Head Qrs. Dist. of Middle Fla.
Tallahassee Augt 12 1865

Master of Steamer Gen McCallum

Sir:

You will at once procede to Key West, with the Steamer Gen'l McCallum reporting to the commanding officer at that Sub. Dist. After recieving the troops which will be put aboard at Key West you will proceed at once to Tampa, leaving the company of troops you took from Key West at that place, and taking aboard another company which are now at Tampa. After which you will return to St. Marks, reporting your arrival at these Hd Qrs.

By Order of
Brig. Gen. Newton

J. S. Hanson
Capt. and A. A. A. G.

Apr 25 1938

Head Qrs., Dist. Middle Fla.
Tallahassee Augt. 14 1865

Colonel:

The removal of the Co. of the 101st New York from Marianna, having left that post without a garrison, you are directed to send one company of the 82nd U. S. C. I. to that place, to remain untill relieved by troops from Genl. Asboths Command.

By Order of
Brig. Genl. Newton

J. S. Ransom
Capt and A. A. A. G.

Col. L. L. Zularsky
Com'g Post
Appalachicola

Head Qrs., Dist., Middle Fla.
Tallahassee Augt 14 1865

Lieut:

When the expedition against St. Marks was at Natural Bridge, a mule was taken from Mrs. Britchenton to haul away the artillery, for which she recieved no receipt. She is now here and the Genl. Commanding wishes to give her another mule. If you have one which is not on your papers or if you can supply her with one- The lady will take this note in person.

Respectfully yours

J. S. Ransom.
Capt. and A. A. A. G.

Head Qrs. Dist of Middle Fla
Tallahassee Augt 12 1865

Captain:

I have the honor to report to you that the term of service of the 161st New York Vol. who are now stationed at Fort Jefferson (Dry Tortugas) expires Oct 27th. I would therefore request a regiment be sent to that Post at once to relieve them. It is important that this regiment should be composed of white troops, as they have over six hundred prisoners to guard and it is necessary to have a regiment in the command from which competant clerks can be detailed.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Sev't.

Brig. Gen'l, Commanding

Capt. J C Woodruff
A. A. A. G.
Head Qr's. Dept. of Fla.

Head Qrs. Dist. of Middle Fla.
Tallahassee Augt 14 1865

Colonel,

In reply to your communication of the 12th inst. I am directed by the Genl. Commanding to inform you that the troops stationed at Chattahoochee arsenal will report to you and be supplied from your post, unless reasons exist why this cannot be done, in which case you will immediately report the facts to these Head Quarters.

In consideration of the unhealthy location the Gen'l has decided to reduce the garrison at Chattahoochee to one company. You will therefore withdraw one of the two companies sent there and order it back to Appalachicola.

I am Colonel,
Your Obt. Sev't.

J S Ransom
Capt. and A. A. A. G.

Col. L. L. Zularsky
Commanding Post
Appalachicola

Apr 25 1938

Head Qrs. District of Middle Florida
Tallahassee August 14, 1865

Comd'g. Officer
Post of Cedar Keys

Sir:

Upon the arrival of the steamer "Ella Morse" you will immediately vacate the Post of Cedar Keys and embark on that vessel and the schooner Harriett with your whole command. Taking all the Quarter Master Generals subsistance stores, move them together with all other stores and baggage. The land transportation you will send overland by the most direct route to this place. On your arrival at St. Marks you will report to these Head Quarters for further orders.

By order of
Brig. Gen'l. Newton

J S Ransom
Capt and A. A. A. G.

Head Quarters District of Middle Fla.
Tallahassee Aug. 15, 1865

Capt. E C Woodruff
A. A. A. G. Dept. of Florida

Captain:

I have the honor to inform you that the withdrawing of a company of the 161st N Y Vol from Marianna has left that post without a garrison and that in consequence thereof I have ordered one company of the 82nd U. S. C. I. sent there to remain untill relieved by troops from Gen'l Asboth's Command.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Sev't

J S Ransom
Brig. Gen'l. Commanding

Apr 25 1933

Head Qrs. District of Middle Florida
August 15, 1865

Captain:

I have to request that Lieut George M. Bromford 7th U. S. C. I. be ordered to Hilton Head to procure inspection reports and other blanks pertaining to the Inspector Generals Department.

I am Respectfully
Your obedient Servant

Brig. Genl. Commanding

Capt. E C Woodruff
7th U S Infantry
A. A. A. G. Department of Florida

Head Quarters Dist. of Middle Fla.
Tallahassee August 15th 1865

Commanding Officer
2nd Fla. Cav.,
Tallahassee

Sir:

You will send to these Head Quarters immediately a consolidated Morning Report made up from latest reports received of your commander by companies.

Also a roster of officers showing the names and rank, date of muster and letter of Co., to which assigned of each commissioned Officer now belonging to the 2nd Fla. cavalry.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Sev't.

A C Prety,
1stLt. A. A. A. G.

Head Quarters Dist of Middle Florida
Tallahassee August 15 1865

Commanding Officer
1st Fla Cavalry
Telair

Sir:

You will send to these Head Quarters immediately a consolidated Morning report made up from latest reports received of your command by companies.

Also a roster of officers showing the name and rank date of muster and letter of company to which assigned of each commissioned officer now belonging to the 1st Fla. Cav.

By command of Brig. Genl. Newton

A C Prety
1st Lt. A. A. A. G.

Head Qrs. Dist. Middle Fla.,
Tallahassee Aug 15 1865

Capt. J W.Childs
2nd U. S. C. I.
Comd'g Post Tallahassee

Sir.

You will send to these Head Quarters immediately a roster of officers, showing the name, rank, date of muster and letter of company to which assigned of each commissioned officer now belonging to the garrison of your Post.

By command of
Brig. Gen'l. Newton

A C Prety
1st Lt. A. A. A. G.

Head Qrs. Dist. Middle Fla.
Tallahassee Augt. 15, 1865

Capt. Peter Harper
99th U. S. C. I. Comd'g Regiment Tallahassee

Sir.

You will send to these Head Quarters immediately a roster of officers showing the name, rank, date of muster and letter of company to which assigned, of each of the commissioned officers now belonging to the 99th Regiment U. S. Colored Infantry.

By Command of
Brig. Gen'l. Newton

A C Prety
1st Lt., and A. A. A. G.

Head Qrs. Dist of Middle Fla.
Tallahassee Augt. 16th 1865

Sir

You will please summon before you Wm. F. Robertson to show cause why the prayer of the petitioner Rolling Baker should not be granted.

Inclosed you will find the petition and likewise copy of a Mortgage executed in favor of Rolling Baker.

Very Respectfully
Your Obedient Servant

By Command of
Brig. Genl. Newton

J S Hanson
Capt. and A. A. A. G.

Chaplain L M Hobbs
Act. Post Prc. Marshal

Head Qrs. Dist. of Middle Florida
Augt 16 1865

Captain.

I have the honor to transmit herewith the names of two officers detailed for duty in the Bureau, Refugees, Freemen ect.

Major Geo. E Wentworth 2nd U. S. C. I. Captain Peter Harner 99th U. S. C. I. The order directing these officers to report by letter to Lwt. Major Genl. R. Saxton ass't., Commissioner must, I presume, issue from your office. I have not so ordered them.

I am Captain
Very Respectfully

Your Obt Servt

Capt. E C Woodruff
Brig. Genl commanding
A. A. A. G.
Hd. Qrs. Dis't. of Fla

Head Qrs. Dist. Middle Fla.
Tallahassee Augt. 16 1865.

Commanding Officer
2nd U. S. C. I.
Key West Fla.

Sir.

You will send to these Head Qrs. Immediately a roster of Officers, showing the name, rank, date of commission, date of muster and letter of Company to which assigned of each commissioned officer now belonging to the 2nd U. S. C. I.

By Command of
Brig. Gen'l., Newton

A C Prety
1st Lieut and A. A. A. G.

Head Qrs. Dist., of Middle Florida
Augt. 17th 1865

Captain:

I have likewise detailed 1st Lieut. C. Seymour 2nd U. S. C. I. for duty in the Bureau of Refugees etc. for the sub district of Key West.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Serv't.,

Brig. Gen'l. Comg.

Captain E. C. Woodruff
A. A. A. G.

Head Qrs. Dept. Fla.

Head Quarters Dist. Middle Florida
Tallahassee Aug 17th 1865

Reuben Ottoman Esq.,
Agent of the United States Treasury Department
Jacksonville Fla.

Sir

By direction of the General commanding I have the honor to transmit herewith a copy, for your information, of Special Order No. 26 from Head Quarters Department of Florida dated at Tallahassee August 10 1865.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt Serv't

A. C. Trety
1st Lieut and A. A. A. G.

Head Qrs. Dist Middle Fla.
Tallahassee Augt. 17 1865

General.

In compliance with your letter of the 7th Inst. to, Gen'l. Foster, I have this day detailed for duty in the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen etc the following officers.

Major Geo. E. Wentworth 82nd U. S. C. I. Capt. Peter Harper 99th U. S. C. I. and have directed them to report to you by letter.

In the meantime, as one of these officers is at present not here, time would be saved if your instructions, blanks, etc. intended for these officers should be sent to them here directed to my care. I enclose for your information the following order 5, 8, 9, and circular letter issued from Head Quarters District Florida, which at the time of publication included the entire State of Florida. The above are approved by Gen'l. Foster and constitutes the rule of action untill you decide otherwise.

In this district and indeed thro'out the state, the posts are many and the country so divided up, that all large bodies of laborers are easily communicated with.

For the Sub. District of Key West under my command likewise I have detailed.

1st Lieut. C. Seymore 2nd U. S. C. I. His instructions may likewise be directed to my care.

I have the honor to be
Your Obedient Servant

Brig. Gen'l., commanding

Brt. Maj. Genl. Saxton
Asst. Commissioner
Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen etc.
Beaufort, S. C.

P. S. I send you likewise memoranda etc issued from Head Qrs. Dist. of Middle Florida and G. O. No. 15 & 18 from Head Qrs. Department of Florida. This in connection with the preceding contains all of interest to you in the administration of this Department.

Head Qrs. Dist of Middle Florida
Tallahassee Augt. 16 1863

Commanding Officer
82nd U. S. C. I.
Apalachicola, Fla.

Sir:

You will send to these Head Qrs. immediately a roster of officers, showing the name, rank, date of commission, date of muster and letter of company to which assigned, of each commissioned officer now belonging to the 82nd U. S. C. I.

By Command of
Brig. Gen'l. Newton

A. C. Prety
1st Lieu't, and A. A. A. G.

Head Qrs. Dist. of Middle Fla.
Tallahassee Augt. 16 1863

Commanding Officer
161st N. Y. Vol.
Key West Fla.

Sir:

You will send to those Head Qrs. immediately a roster of officers showing the name, rank, date of commission date of muster and letter of company to which assigned, of each commissioned officer now belonging to the 161st N Y Vol.

By command of
Brig. Gen'l. Newton

A. C. Prety
1st Lieut, and A. A. A. G.

Head Qrs. District Middle Florida
Office of the assistant Adgt. Gen'l. Fla.
Tallahassee Augt 17-1865

Capt. E. Mezzaros
1st Fla. Cav.,
Cord'g Regt.

Sir:

You will forward to this office immediately separate reports of the companies of your Regiment - showing strength of each company together with the names of the commissioned and non-commissioned officers in each company.

By Command of
Brig. Gen'l. Newton

A. C. Prety
1st Lieut and A. A. A. G.

Head Qrs., District Middle Fla.
Office of the Assistant Adgt. Gen'l.
Tallahassee Augt 17 1865

Comd'g. Officer
2nd Fla. Cav.,
Tallahassee

Sir

You will forward to this office immediately seperate reports of companies of your Regiment, showing the strength of each company, together with the names of the commissioned and non-commissioned officers in each company.

By Command of
Brig. Gen'l. Newton

A. C. Prety
1st Lieut and A. A. A. G.

Apr 25 1933

Head Qrs. District of Middle Fla.
Tallahassee Aug 18 1865

Captain:

In view of the fact that the 161st Regt. N. Y. Vol. will soon be mustered out of service I would Respectfully request that all officers and men of that Regiment now on detached service in the District of West Florida be ordered to this post immediately to be sent from here to their command.

Very Respctfully
Your Ob't., Servt.,

Brig. Gen'l. Commanding

Capt. E. C. Woodruff
A. A. A. G.
Head Qrs: Department of Florida.

Head Qrs., Dist., of Middle Fla.,
Tallahassee Augt. 19 1865

Captain

I am directed by the Gen'l., commanding to call your attention to the frequent discharge of fire arms throughout the day and night in the streets and Suburbs of this place. The Gen'l. commanding directs that you give such orders to the patrol guard as will prevent this in future.

Frequent gatherings of persons on Street corners at late hours of night, have been observed, while the patrol Guard are not allowed to arrest these persons, they should ask them to disperse as such gatherings are not conducive to good order

Very Respectfully
Your Ob't., Sev't.,

J. S. Ransom
Capt. and A. A. A. G.

Capt. J. M. Childs
Post. Commandant
Tallahassee

Apr 25 1938

Head Qr's. District of Middle Fla.
Tallahassee Augt 1st 1865

General:

I have the honor to report to you that from July 1st to 17 I was in command of the District of Florida. (embracing the whole state) in Compliance with special order No,170 Head Qr's. Department of the Gulf, and from July 17th to August 1st was in command of the Department of Florida by virtue of Seniority.

I am General
Very Respectfully

Your Obt., Sevt.,
Brig. Gen'l. Vol.,

Gen'l. L. Thomas
Adjutant General U. S. A.

Head Qrs: Dist., of Middle Florida
Tallahassee Augt 10, 1865

Captain E. C. Woodruff
Actg. Asst. Adgt. Genr'l. Head Qrs Dept of Fla;
Tallahassee
Sir

I have the honor to transmit herewith the tri-monthly report of troops serving in the District of Middle Florida, for the ten days ending August 10, 1865.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt

Brig Gen'l Commanding

Apr 25 1938

Head Qr's. Dist of Middle Fla.
Tallahassee August 20 1865

Capt.,E C Woodruff
A. A. A. General Head Qrs., Dept., of Fla.,
Tallahassee

Sir

I have the honor to transmit herewith the tri-monthly report of troops serving in the District of Middle Florida. for ten days ending August 20. 1865.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt., Servt,

Brig Genl. Commanding

Head Qrs. District of Middle Florida
Tallahassee August 21 1865

Commanding Officer
1st Florida Cavalry

Sir.

You will send to these Head Qr's, with as little delay as possible the names of such officers non-commissioned officers or privates in your command as are worthy of promotion, in order that selection may be made to fill vacancies made by the consolidation of the Regiments.

Applicants will be required to go before a board of examination and care must be taken to recommend only those who will make active and efficient officers. The consolidation will render supernumerary ten Sergeants, and eleven Corporals. You will forward the names of those you most desire to have retained as non-commissioned officers.

By command of
Brig. Gen'l Newton

J. S. Ransom
Capt. and A. A. A. G.

Apr 25 1938

Head Qrs, Dist. of Middle Florida
Tallahassee August 21, 1865

Commanding Officer
2nd Florida Cavalry

Sir.

You will send to these Head Qrs. with as little delay as possible the names of such officers, Non-Commissioned officers or privates in Your Command as are worthy of promotion in order that selection may be made to fill vacancies made by the consolidation of the Regiments. Applicants will be required to go before a board of Examination and care must be taken to recommend only those who will make active and efficient officers.

The Consolidation will render Supernumerary ten Sergeants and eleven Corporals. You will forward the names of those you most desire to have retained as Non-Commissioned Officers.

By order of
Brig Gen'l Newton

J. S. Ransom
Capt. and A. A. A. G.

Head Qr's, Dist, of Middle Fla.
Tallahassee August 22 1865

Colonel.

You will please report to these Head Quarters if any reason exists why wharfage should not be collected at Appalachicola by the parties owning the wharfs. Mr. Thomas Orman a citizen of Appalachicola complains that his property has been seized by the Military authorities and his tenant forbidden to pay rent to him. You will report the circumstances connected with the case. It is not intended to oppress the inhabitants or to occupy any property except under a stringent Military necessity.

By Order of
Brig. Gen'l Newton

J. S. Ransom
Capt and A. A. A. G.

Col. L. L. Zularsky
Comdg Post
Appalachicola

Apr 25 1938

Head Qrs. Middle Dist of Fla.
Tallahassee August 21 1865

Ass't, Adgt, General
Department of Florida, Tallahassee

Sir

I have the honor to submit the following statement relative to the Consolidation of the first and second Regiments of Florida Cavalry and a detachment of forty eight men Known as the first East Florida Cavalry.

STATEMENT SHOWING PRESENT CONDITION

1st Florida Cavalry	Com Officers	Sargts	Corpl's	Privates	2nd Fla. Cavalry	Com Officers	Sargts	Corpl's	Buglars	Privates	Recapitulati
Field and staff 1 Hosp. Steward	1 R.2.M				Field & Staff 1 maj 1 adgt	3					Commissioned Officers 21 Hospital Steward 1 Sargts 78
Co. A	2	8	8	41	1R 2M						
Co. B	2	6	7	50	Co. A	1	8	7	1	76	Corpl's 75
Co. C	1	7	3	40	Co. B.	1	7	8		81	Buglars 5
Co. D	3	6	7	61	Co. C	1	7	8	2	83	Privates 72
Co. E	1	7	6	51	Co. D	1	7	8	1	77	Total Enlisted 88
Co. F	2	8	5	55	Co. E	2	7	8	1	60	
					detachment E. Fla. Cav.					48	
	12	42	36	299						425	

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From the above report it will be seen that the number of men in the two organizations is sufficient to form eight companies of the maximum strength. The battalion after consolidation will be entitled to the following commissioned officers, Viz,

1 one Lieutenant Colonel
2 two Majors
1 one Surgeon
1 one Asst. Surgeon
1 Regtl Adjutant
1 Regtl Quarter Master
1 Regtl Commissary
8 eight Captains
8 First Lieutenants
8 Second Lieutenants

To fill these positions we have the following officers:

1 Major
1 Regtl Adjutant
2 Regtl Quar Masters (1 to be appt Comd'g.)
3 Captains
6 First Lieutenants
7 Second Lieutenants

Leaving vacancies to be filled for the following positions Viz,.

1 Lieutenant Colonel
1 Major
1 Surgeon
1 Asst. Surgeon
5 Captains
2 First Lieutenants
1 Second Lieutenant

I remain Sir

Very Respectfully
Your Ob't., Servt.,

Brigadier General
Commanding

Apr 25 1938

Head Qrs. Dist, of Middle Fla.
Tallahassee Augt 21 1865

Sir:

The General Commanding desires you to send him the name of some worthy and reliable Citizen to be appointed Mayor of Tallahassee. It will be the duty of the Mayor to care for the civil interests of the city. He will be required to collect licences for all descriptions of trade, the amount received to be devoted to the support of the poor. It will also be his care to see that the streets and walks are kept in proper repair and to have general supervision over the civil government of the place. As no funds are in the city treasury he can be allowed no remuneration for his service

Very Respectfully
Your Ob't. Servt

J. S. Ransom
Capt., A. A. A. G.

Chaplain S. M. Hobbs
Provost Marshall
Tallahassee.

Telegram

Head Qrs, Dis't., of Middle Fla.,
Tallahassee Augt., 14 1865

Comd'g. Officer
Post Quincy

William Barnes S. Whitaker and Wyatt Williams, privates 1st Florida Cavalry deserted yesterday. Two of them taking their horses with them. It is supposed they went in the direction of Chattahoochee arsenal or Woodville, on their way to Henry Co., Ala. Please use every endeavor to apprehend them.

By order of
Brig., Gen'l., Newton

J. S. Ransom
Capt. and A. A. A. G,.

(Apr 25 1938)

Mr Hatch.
send the same to Chattahoochee, Woodville and the Telegraph office in Henry Co. Ala., if there is one there adding the word please before the last sentence, Making it "please use every endeavor etc.

J. S. Ransom

Head Qrs., Dist. of Middle Florida
Tallahassee Augt, 23, 1865

Captain

The General Commanding directs that you keep a guard on the artillery parked in the Court House Square, with instructions to allow no person to be about the guns or caisons.

Very Respectfully
Your Ob't. Servt.

J. S. Ransom
Capt. and A A A G

Capt. J. W. Childs
Commandant Post
Tallahassee

Head Qrs., Dist. of Middle Fla.
Tallahassee Augt, 21 1865

Capt E. C. Woodruff
A. A. A. G. Head Qrs. Dept. of Fla.
Tallahassee

Sir

I have the honor to transmit herewith in compliance with orders from Dept. Head Qrs. dated Augt 21 1865 the Post Office address of all posts within the District of Middle Florida.

Very Respectfully
Your Obedient Servant

Brid. Gen'l. Commanding.

Head Qrs. District of Middle Florida
Tallahassee Augt., 25 1865

Circular.

Commanding officers of posts and Provo. Marshols are ordered to afford every facility and gi e all information in their power to enable citizens to av il themselves of the Amnesty Oath. The required blanks will be furnished at these Head Qrs, and Commanding Officers must Kee constantly Supplied with them.

By Order of
Brig. Gen'l. Newton

J. S. Ransom
Capt. and A. A. A. G.

Telegram

Head Qrs. District of Middle Fla.
Tallahassee Augt,26-1865

Capt E. S. Rigney
Comd'g, Post Madison,

You have the power to levy fines in particular cases, but must use great discretion in exercising it. Reporting to these Head Qr's., monthly the amount of fines collected and full particulars of each case.

By order of
Brig Gen'l Newton

J. S. Ransom
Capt and A. A. A. G.

C. L. Hatch Jr
Opr

Head Qrs., Dist of Middle Fla
Tallahassee Augt 25th 1865

Sir

Immediately on receipt of this order you will proceed with the detachment of the 2nd U. S. C. I. under Your Command to six mile pond rejoining Your Company for duty. You will see that the men in Your detachment who belong to Co. I. 2nd U. S. C. I. rejoin their company now stationed at Tallahassee.

By order of
Brig. Gen'l., Newton

J. S, Ransom
Capt. and A. A. A. G.

Lieut., F. A. Whitbick
Commanding Detachment
2nd U. S. C. I. St. Marks.

Head Qrs. Dist., of Middle Florida.
Tallahassee Augt. 25th 1865

Commanding Officer
Sub., Dist., West Fla,

Sir

You will have a sufficient number of blank Amnesty Oaths printed to supply all the posts of your command and you will instruct the Commanding Officers of posts to afford every facility to Citizens to enable them to take the Oath.

At places where no Provost Marshals have been appointed the Senior Officer present will administer the Oath.

By order of
Brig. Gen'l. Newton

J. S. Ransom
Capt. and A. A. A. G.

Head Qr's. Dist. of Middle Fla
Tallahassee Aug: 25th 1865

Commanding Officer
Sub Dist, Key West

Sir

You will have a sufficient number of blank Amnesty Oaths printed to supply all the posts of your command, and you will instruct the Commanding Officers of posts to afford every facility to Citizens to enable them to take the Oath.

At places where no Provost Marshals have been appointed the Senior Officer present will administer the Oath.

By order of
Brig. Gen'l. Newton

J. S. Ransom
Capt and A. A. A. G.

(Apr 25 1938)

Head Qr's. Dist. of Middle Fla.
Tallahassee Augt 25th 1865

Lieutenant:

Immediately upon receipt of this order you will proceed with the Company under your command to Jasper Hamilton Co., Fla. going via of Madison where you will report to Capt. E. S. Rigney who is instructed to aid you in making your destination. You will procure transportation at Madison for such stores as you have to take. You are instructed to carefully peruse the files of orders, circulars and instructions to commanding Officers of posts which are herewith enclosed and be governed by them in your administration at Jasper. You will afford citizens every facility in your power to enable them to take the Amnesty Oath. Keeping yourself constantly supplied with blanks which will be furnished from these Head Quarters.,

Immediately upon your arrival at Jasper you will report to these Head Qr's. the shortest and most practicable route for keeping Your Company supplied with subsistance and other stores.

The Qr. M. Department will furnish transportation also take with you thirty days rations.

By order of
Brig. Gen'l. Newton

J. S. Ransom
Capt and A. A. A. G.

1st Lieutenant E. Henderson
Comd'g. Co. E. 99th U. S. C. I.
Through Regtl. Head Qr's,
Tallahassee Fla.,

Head Quarters District of Middle Florida
Tallahassee August 26th 1865

Major.

The General Commanding directs that you furnish every facility in your power to the inhabitants in and about Marianna so as to enable them to avail themselves of the Amnesty Oath. If you are out of blanks send to Apalachicola for more. The Commaning Officer of Sub. District of West Florida has been ordered to send you, more,

Very Respectfully
Your Ob't., Servant
J. S. Ransom
Capt. and A. A. A. Genl.

Major A. Catln (2nd Maine Cav.)

Head Qr's. Dist. of Middle Fla.
Tallahassee Augt., 26-1865

General.

I have the honor to make the following statement in regard to certain money belonging to Prof., Richard S. McCullough a prisoner of war, who was captured at Cape Sable in May last. The money was turned over to me by Lieut., Hollis 2nd Fla., Cav., and I paid McCullough different sums from time to time as he required it, untill I had but Three hundred and thirty dollars left. When McCullough was sent north by order from the War Department I was absent from Key West on duty and did not return there untill sometime afterwards. As soon as I did return I turned over the amount $330 in gold to Lieut., Harrower 161st N. Y. Vol Act'g Asst Adjt. Genrl and Provost Marshal. Sub-District of Key West, to be forwarded to the Adjutant General of the army. Enclosed I appended Lieut. Harrowers receipt for the same. In regard to the other articles mentioned by Mr. Prate I am informed they were forwarded with the prisoner to Washington by the Provost Marshal to whom I turned them over,.

I am General
Your Ob't. Servant

J. S. Ransom
Capt. 44th Ill. Vol.
A. A. A. G.

By Gen'l John Newton
Comdg. District Middle Florida.

Head Quarters Dist. Middle Florida
Tallahassee Augt. 26th 1865

Messrs McKibben & Co.
Gents:

In accordance with the decision of the Major General Commanding the Department, permission is granted you to sell powder, Shot and Caps at Tallahassee on condition that you furnish an invoice of such ammution as you desire to sell and have the authority for such sale endorced upon the same.

By order of
Brig. General Newton

J. S. Ransom

Head Quarters Dist. Middle Florida
Tallahassee Augt. 27th 1865

Colonel:

Immediately upon receipt of this order you will proceed with the 82nd U. S. A. T. (leaving two companies at the Post of Appalachicola) up the Appalachicola River and landing at the nearest point to Quincy. From the landing you will march to Quincy and come from there to this place by Rail Road. You will bring with you all your transportation except such as is signed for the port of Appalachicola. All horses that can possibly be spared including those brought down from Marianna by Capt. Little and such subsistance stores as you require to reach this place. Also 120 rounds of ammunition to each man (20 rounds in cartridge boxes)

The company of the 161st N. Y. Vol. you will send to St. Marks by steamer "Gen'l. Mc Cullum", instructing the officer in command to report his arrival at St. Marks to these Head Quarters. Your extra ammunition (also enough to supply the two companies 161st N. Y. Vol. if you have it to spare) will be put on board the Steamer McCullum a guard being placed over it. You can also send by the McCullum such Regimental baggage or stores as can be put aboard without detaining the Steamer.

The company 82nd U S C T at Chattahoochee arsenal will be retained there. You will bring to this place the private horses belonging to officers of the 161st N. Y. Vol., in order that they may be sent to them from here.

By order of
Brig. Gen'l Newton

J. S. Ransom
Captain and A. A. A. G.

Col L L Zularsky
Comdg. Post
Appalachicola.

Head Qrs. Dist of Middle Florida
Tallahassee Augt 27th 1865

Colonel.

If you have a printing Office at Appalachicola you will have a quantity of blank Amnesty Oath struck off and sent to Marianna and Chattahoochee reporting by return Steamer the number sent, 1000 will be required for Jackson County, you will please inform by return steamer how many you can furnish,

By order of
Brig,. Genl. Newton

J. S. Ransom
Captain and A. A. A. G

Col L L Zularsky
Commanding Post
Appalachicola

Head Quarters District of Middle Florida
Tallahassee, August 27th 1865

Major N. Cutler
Comdg. Post
Marianna;

Major.

It has been represented at these Head Quarters that there exists in the counties of Jackson and Holmes an armed band of from one to two hundred men whose ostensible purpose it is to preserve Order in the Community but who are really opposing and in some instances murdering those who have been consistent Union men during the war you are directed to make a thorough investigation of this matter and make an immediate report. In order to do this you are authorized to send patrols through both Counties and if necessary into other Counties. You will give this matter your personal attention and send your report back by the bearer of this dispatch.

By order of
Brig. Gen'l. Newton

J. S. Ransom
Capt. and A. A. A. G.

P. S. you will send a copy of your report to Comdg. Officer Sub. District but your report direct to these Hd. Qrs. the circumstances of the case not allowing the delay occasioned by sending through proper chanel.

(Apr 25 1938)

Head Quarters District of Middle Florida
2nd Separate Brigade Tallahassee Aug. 27 1865

2nd Lieut Thomas H. Willson, 3d U. S. C. T.
Comdg. Detachment 1st East Florida Cavalry

Sir.

You are hereby relieved of the Command of the detachment of 1st East Fla. Cavalry with which you brought to Tallahassee Yesterday from Jacksonville. The men will be turned over to 2nd Lieut J. B. Sanders 1st Fla. Cavalry who will assume the command of them upon delivery of this order

By Order of
Brig. Gen'l. Newton

J. S. Hansen
Capt. and A A A G.

Head Quarters District of Middle Fla.
2nd Separate Brigade Dept. Fla.
Tallahassee Augt., 26 1865

Captian J. Meszaros
Comd'g. Regiment

Sir:

You will at once send a detail of mounted men, consisting of fi e privates, in charge of a Non-Commissioned Officer of Your Command to the plantation of Mr. Chairs twelve miles in a Southeasterly direction from this place for the purpose of hunting up a number of cattle, say 45 to 50 head, branded "C. S." that are reported to be roaming about the neighborhood of the Chairs plantation uncared for by any one. The cattle so obtained to be turned over to 1st Lieut. J. J. Stevens 2nd Florida Cavalry. A. C. S at Tallahassee.

By Command of
Brig. Gen'l. Newton

A. C. Prety
1st Lieut and A. A. A. G.

(Apr 25 1933)

Head Qr's Dist. of Middle Fla.,
Tallahassee Augt, 28th 1865

Comd'g Officer
Sub. District of West Fla,

Sir

All details of troops for work on the fortifications at Barrancas which will preclude them from taking part in other Military Operations or from being sent to other posts, must be discontinued. The fact of troops being engaged on such works will not be considered an objection to their being ordered away at any time.

By order, of
Brig. Gen'l. Newton

J. S. Ransom
Captain and A. A. A. G.

Head Quarters District of Middle Florida
Tallahassee August 28th 1865

Colonel.

If you have an officer in the 82nd U. S.C. T. who you can recommend for Provost Marshal of this post, you will please order him here by Steamer McCullum.

By Order of
Brig. Gen'l. Newton

J. S. Ransom
Capt. and A. A. A. G.

Col. L. L. Zularsky
Comd'g. Post Apalachicola

Head Quarters Dist. of Middle Florida
Tallahassee Augt., 23 1865

Comd'g. Officer
Sub. District West Florida

Sir;

In case the mounted portion of the 1st Florida Cavalry have not already been sent here and if there is no prospect of immediate Water transportation, you will order them here overland, instructing the Officer in Command to march through portions of Holmes and Jackson Counties and to cross the Appalachicola River at the nearest practicable point to Quincy.

By Order of
Brig. Gen'l. Newton

J. S. Ransom
Capt, and A. A. A. G.

Head Quarters District of Middle Florida
Tallahassee Augt., 28 1865

Col. L. L. Zularsky
Comg'd Post
Appalachicola

Colonel.

In case any of the 1st Florida Cavalry have arrived at Appalachicola you will send all the dismounted men with their baggage to St. Marks by Steamer McCullum with orders to proceed from St. Marks to the Camp of the Regiment at Six Mile Pond by first train from St. Marks. The mounted portion of the Regt. if at Appalachicola can come with your Regiment via Quincy.

By order of
Brig. Gen'l. Newton

J. S. Ransom
Capt. and A. A. A. G.

Head Quarters Dist. of Middle Florida
Tallahassee August 23 1865

Cond'g. Officer
Sub District West Fla.

Sir.

In addition to the Posts you have already established you are directed to send immediately an officer with a squad of men to visit each of the following places of Your Command in view of the election ordered to be held on the 10 of October next, for the purpose of administering the Oath of Amnesty and to circulate the Proclamation of the Provisional Governor of the State, notice of election and orders in relation thereto.

When an officer ordered to visit more than one of the places mentioned he will remain at each a sufficient time to properly perform the duties specified.

Cawthorns Station	Walton Co.
Knob Hill	" "
Hewetts Bluff	Holmes Co.,
Vernon	Washington Co.,
Campbleton	Jackson Co.,
Oaky Hill	" "
Abis Spring	Calhoun Co.

You will have a sufficient number of blank Amnesty oaths printed and circulated through Your Sub District to Supply the whole Command.

You will please take notice that to the Military is intrusted the task of printing distributing and administering the Amnesty Oath and that you will be held responsible if on the day of election individuals in your sub District should be found incapable of exercising the franchise through want of opportunity to take the oath. If printing paper be defficient in quantity you may cause the oath to be printed in much smaller compass than the sample sent. Spare no pains to hurry the printing and distribution as fast as possible.

As a guide to you in the distribution of the Amnesty Oath the following record of the number of votes polled in each county of your Sub District in an election for members of congress held in 1860 is appended vis.

Calhoun County	100
Jackson County	985
Washington County	255
Holmes County	160
Walton "	404
Santa Rosa County	595
Escambia	563

By order of
Brig. Gen'l. Newton

J. S. Ranson
Captain and A. A. A. G.

Head Quarters Dist. Middle, Florida
Tallahassee August 28 1865

Commanding Officer
Post of Apalachicola

Sir

You are authorized, whenever the military necessities will allow, to permit the Steamer "W H Young" to carry freight for the Treasury Department and for private individuals upon such schedule of prices as may be reasonable and fair. You must, however, always regard military objects as paramount and to be first considered.

By command of
Brig. Gen'l. Newton

J. S. Ranson
Capt. and A. A. A. G.

Head Quarters Dist. Middle Florida
2nd Separate Brigade Dept of Fla.
Tallahassee August 29 1865

William R. Pitts Esq.
Tallahassee

Sir.

The "Confederate Loan Book" now in your possession you will give to Mr. Cabell, Treasury Agent, to be returned by him to these Head"Quarters for preservation.

By Command of
Brig. Gen'l. Newton

A. C. Prety
1st Lieut and A. A. A. G.

Copy furnished
Mr. Cobell

Head Quarters Dist, of Middle Fla.
2nd Separate Brigade Dept., of Fla.
Tallahassee August 29th 1865

Mr. D. B. Maginnis
Tallahassee

Sir:

The eight (8) bales - 4000 pounds of cotton now in your possession and claimed by the Agent of the U. S. Treasury Department will not be disposed of or removed by you untill decission is made as to whether the Government is entitled to them or not.

By Command of
Brig. Gen'l. Newton

A. C. Prety
1st Lieut. and A. A. A. G.

Copy furnished
Mr. Cabell

Head Quarters District of Middle Florida
2nd Separate Brigade
Tallahassee August 29th 1865

Mr. Robert H. Gamble
Administrator for the estate of Ward
Tallahassee;

Sir

The sixteen (16) bales 8000 pounds of cotton now in your possession and claimed by the Agent of the U. S. Treasury Department will not be disposed of or removed by you untill decission is made as to whether the Government is entitled to them or not.

By Command of
Brig Gen'l Newton

A. C. Prety
1st Lieut., and A. A. A. G.

Copy furnished
Mr. Cabell

Hd Qrs. Dist of Middle Florida
2nd Separate Brigade, D. F.
Tallahassee Aug. 29th 1865

Sarg't Samuel J. Pearce
Co. B. 2nd Fla, Cav.,
Monticello

Sir:

In answer to your letter dated at Monticello August 25th 1865 addressed to Maj. Gen'l. Foster Comd'g. the Dept, of Fla. and by him refered to these Head Quarters. The Gen'l Comd'g, directs me to inform you that a Company of United States Soldiers is to be placed at Brooksville Hernando County.

Very Respectfully
Your Ob't. Sevt.,

A. C. Prety
1st Lieut. and Act. Asst Adg't Gen

Hd Qrs. Dist., of Middle Fla.
2nd Separate Brigade
Tallahassee August 29 1865

Capt. J. T. Bartholf
2nd U. S. C. T.
Comd'g Post of Tallahassee

Sir

You will inspect and report whether arrangements for the comfort and convenience of the men stationed at Tallahassee are such that bathing and other necessary physical duties can be performed without exposure of person, and with due regard to public decency. This to be an immediate report.

By Command of
Brig Gen. Newton

A. C. Prety
1st Lieut. and A. A. A. G.

Hd Qrs. Dist of Middle Fla.
2nd Separate Brigade, D. F.
Tallahassee August 30 th 1865

Capt. J. W. Childs
2nd U. S. C. I.
Comd'g Post Tallahassee

Sir

The Gen'l. Comd'g., directs that you muster the two Co's. of the 161st N. Y. now stationed at Tallahassee, together with the other Co's. of your Command at the stated Muster for August 31st 1865.

Very Respectfully
your Ob't, Serv't

A. C. Prety
1st Lieutenant and A. A. A. G.

Copy furnished Comd'g. Officer
Detachment 161st N. Y. for his information and guidance

Head Qr's. Dist., of Middle Fla.
August 31st 1865

Captain.

I have the honor to transmit the reports of two Boards of Examination, with my recommendations affixed, upon the officers of the 2nd and 99th U. S. C. T. and the 110th N. Y. Vol. and the 2nd Fla. Cav. convened under the authority of S. O. No. 86 War Dept, (current Series) at Key West June 15th 1865 and at Tallahassee July 11th 1865.

Unavoidable delay has arisen from the necessity, while the first Board was in decission, of removing the 99th U. S. C. T, and 2nd Fla., Cav. without this Jurisdiction into Middle Florida, while the second Board was delayed by the non-arrival of transportatiou, and the necessity of dispercing the troops immediately upon arrival through the various posts in Middle Florida.

I am very Respectfully
Your Ob't., Serv't.

Brig. Gen. Commanding

Capt. E. C. Woodruff
7th U. S. Infantry
A A A G
Hd. Qrs. Dept. of Fla.

Head Qrs., Dist. of Middle Fla.
Tallahassee August 31st 1865

Comd'g. Officer
Sub. District of Key West

Sir

You will have a sufficient number of blanks Amnesty Oaths printed and distributed through your Sub District to supply the whole Command.

You will please take notice that to the Military is intrusted the task of printing, distributing and administering the Amnesty Oath., And you will be held responsible if on the day of election individuals in your sub District should be found incapable of exercising the franchise through want of opportunity to take the Oath.

1st Lieut Carlton Seymour
2nd U. S. C. T.
Key West.

P. S. The following extracts from a general order published by Gen'l. Howard is furnished for your information and guidance by direction of Genrl Newton.

"Every effort will be made to render people Self supporting. Government supplies will only be temporally issued to enable destitute persons speedily to support themselves and exact accounts must be kept with each person or Community and held as a lien upon crops.

The rations for the destitute will be that already provided in G. O. No. 30. War Dept A G O Series 1864

Respectfully

A. C. Prety
1st Lieut and A. A. A. G.

Head Qr's., Dis't ., Middle Fla.
Tallahassee Augt. 27 # 1865

Captain.

I have the honor to inform you that a detachment of the 1st East Florida Cavalry reported to these Head Qrs. yesterday without their horses or horse equipment, which I am informed were left at Jacksonville by order of Brig. Gen'l. Vodges. I would, therefore, respectfully request that Gen'l., Vodges be ordered to send all the horses, saddles and other equipment belonging to the 1st East Florida Cavalry to this place without delay.

I am Captain
Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt

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You will, therefore, soare no pains to hurry the printing and distribution of the Oaths as soon as possible.

In administering the oath you will be guided by General Order No. 14 Hd. Qrs. Dept. of Fla. Copies of which are herewith enclosed.

By order of
Brig Genl. Newton

J. B. Ranson
Capt and A. A. A. G.

Head Qrs. Dist. of Middle Florida
Tallahassee August 31st 1865

1st Lieut Carlton Seymour
2n U. S. C. T.

Sir.

You have been ordered from these Head Qr's, to report for duty in the Bureau of Refugees and Freedmen etc.

I Understand that suffering exists at Tampa and vicinity among Refugees and freedmen. It is in my opinion important that you should proceed there and issue to these persons.

In order to effect this, by the same vessel which conveys you to Tampa, rations enough to meet your calls for issue should likewise be sent. It is presumed that Tampa is now supplied only for the troops stationed there, and that extra quantities of supplies would be necessary for your purposes. Show this letter to the Commanding officer at Key West for whom it will be sufficient authority.

The rations will be invoiced to the acting Commissary of Subsistance at Tampa, who will issue upon ration returns, signed by you, you are not allowed to draw rations in bulk.

I am Sir
Very Respectfully
Your Ob't. Servt

John Newton
Brig. Gen. Comd'g.

(Apr 25 1933)

Brig. Gen'l. Commanding

Capt. E. C. Woodruff
A. A. A. G.
Dept of Florida

Head Qrs. Dist. of Middle Fla.
Tallahassee Aug. 31 1865

Commanding Officer
Sub. District Key West,

Sir:

You are directed to send two Commissioned Officers to Tampa to assist Captain Andrews in administering the Amnesty Oath in the counties of Manatee, Hillsborough and Polk.

You will instruct Capt. Andrews to spare no effort in reaching the mass of the people in these three Counties with the Oath. There is no time for delay and you will be held responsible for the general circulation and administration of the Oath throughout your whole command. Temporary posts should be established at Manatee and other places until after election, and officers placed in Command, with instructions to administer the Oath to those who apply. The greatest publicity should be given to the presence of these officers and the object for which they come.

By Command of
Brig. Gen'l., Newton

J. S. Ransom
Capt. and A. A. A. G.

Head Qrs., Dist., of Middle Fla.
Tallahassee August 31 1865

Captain

I would respectfully recommend the following promotions in the 1st Florida Cavalry and urge that Commissions be immediately issued to the parties designated, as the interest of the service demand that the organization should be made complete as soon as possible.

(Apr 25 1938)

To be Lieut., Colonel: (an original vacancy)
Capt. Jas. S. Ransom
114th Ill. Vet., Vol.,

To be Major (an original vacancy)
Capt. E. Mazaros (1st Fla.Cavalry)

To be 1st Lieut., Adjutant (vacancy will be occasioned by promotion of 1st Lieut. Adgt.
A. C. Prety
J. W. Mitchel Citizen formerly
Sergt. 153d N. Y. Vol.

To be Captains

1st Lieut	Isaac J. Rich	2nd Fla. Cav. to fill vacancy
1st "	L. W. Rawley	1st Fla Cavalry
1st "	Cyrus P. Pickard	1st Fla. Cavalry
1st Lieut. (adjutant)	A. C. Prety	2nd Fla. Cavalry
1st "	George Slater	161st N. Y. Vol.
2nd "	J. J. Hallis	2nd Fla. Cav. to fill vacancy

To be 1st Lieutenants

2nd Lieut	C. G. chapman	2nd Fla. Cav. to fill vacancy
2nd "	Seth Stevens	" " " " " "
2nd "	Wm. Helf	1st " " " " "

To be 2nd Lieutenants

Sergeant	M. Dodson	2nd Fla. Cav. (to fill vacancy)
"	Richard C. Harvey	2nd Fla. Cav. " " "
"	James H. Stewart	1st " " " " "
"	John W. Powell	1st " " " " "
"	James M. Mathews	" " " " " "
"	Berry Stearns	" " " " " "

If these promotions are made the organization composed of the 1st and

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2nd Fla. Cavalry Regiments Consolidated will be in nine (9) companies with a full compliment of Officers and 883 enlisted men. Most of the Officers named for promotion have been before a Board of examination. The appointments are all required to fill original vacancies and vacancies caused by promotions.

I am Very Respectfully
Your Ob't. Servt.,

John Newton
Brig. Gen'l. Com'd'g.

Captain E. C. Woodruff
A A A G
Dept. of Florida

Head Qrs. Dist. of Middle Florida,
Tallahassee Augt 31 1865

Commanding Officer
Sub-District Key West.,

Sir

You will please transmit to these Head Qrs. such volumes of U. S. Cavalry tactics as may be found in your office.

Very Respectfully
Your Ob't Servt.

By Command of
Brig. Gen'l. Newton

A. C. Prety
1st Lieut and A. A. A.G.

Head Qrs. District of Middle Florida
Tallahassee Augt 31, 1865

General;

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2nd inst. and in reply have to state that I was absent from Key West at the time when the prisoners I suppose you alluded to were rec'd.

I have sent a copy of your letter to the Commanding Officer Sub., District of Key West, with instructions to forward you the necessary particulars, if possible.

You will observe that the names of the prisoners are not given in your communication.

Very Respectfully
Your Ob't., Serv't.

John Newton
Brig. Gen'l Commanding

Brv't., Brig., Gen'l Hoffman
U. S. Army
Com'dg., Gen'l. of Pensions
Washington D. C.

Head Qrs, Dist. of Middle Florida
Tallahassee Augt 31 1865

Captain

In compliance with G. O. No. 122. War Dept. A. J. O. current Issue. I have relieved Capt., James S. Ransom 44th Ill. U. V. from duty in this District and ordered him to report at Hd Qrs. Mid., Div. of the Gulf New Orleans.

Captain Ransom has just been nominated for the Commission of Lieut. Col., in the 1st Fla., Cavalry Consolidated from the various bodies of Fla. Cav. in this State, and his services are absolutely essential for the work of reorganization and disiplin in which many portions of this Consolidated Regiment are sadly deficient. Captain Ransom is the only officer upon whom I can rely for this purpose.

I have the honor to be
Very Respectfully
Your Ob't. Servt

John Newton
Brig., Gen'l, Commanding

Capt. E. C. Woodruff
A. A. A. G.
Tallahassee Fla.

(Apr 25 1938)

Head Qrs. Dist. of Middle Fla.
Tallahassee Sept 1st 1865

Commanding Officer
99 d U. S. C. I.

Sir

You will make requisition at once upon the enclosed blanks for 30,000 rounds of Ammunition to supply the deficiencies in Your Command.

By Command of
Brig Gen'l. Newton

A. C. Prety
1st Lieut. and A. A. A. G.

Head Qr's., Dist. of Middle Florida
Tallahassee Sept 2nd 1865

General:

I have the honor to report for the month of August as follows.

In Command of Dept. untill Aug 7th
In Command of the District of Middle Fla. from Augt. 7th to Augt. 31st.

Hd. Qrs. Tallahassee Fla.

I have the honor to be
Your Obedient Serv't.

John Newton
Brid. Gen'l. Commanding

Brv't Major Genl.
L. Thomas
Adjt. Genr'l.
U. S. A.

Head Qr's, Dis't. of Middle Fla.
Tallahassee Sept. 2nd 1865

Lt: Hutchinson
A. A. G. M

Sir.

The Gen'l, Commanding desires you to furnish Quarters to the Companies of the 1st Fla., Cavalry who are unprovided at Six Mile Pond. You are not expected to purchase lumber or Material for the purpose,,but if you have it on hand you can furnish limited amount and shelter tents to cover the Quarters with. You will report what action you take in this matter.

Very Respectfully
Your Ob't. Serv't.

A. C. Prety
1st Lieut and A. A. A. G.

Head Quarters District Middle Florida.
2nd Separate Brigade D. F.
Tallahassee Sept 2nd 1865

Captain E. S. Rigney
Com'd'g Post Madison Fla.,

Sir

The money collected from fines must be sent to the Provost Marshal General of the Department at the end of each month.

By order of
Brig Gen'l. Newton

A. C. Prety
1st Lieut and A. A. A.G.

(Apr 25 1938)

Head Qrs, Dist, Middle Florida
2nd Separate Brigade D. F.
Tallahassee Sept 1st 1865

Major Willis E. Craig
161st N. Y. Vol.
Comd'g: Sub District of Key West

Sir by direction of the General Commanding.

I have this day forwarded direct to the Commanding Officer at Tampa copies of all instructions and orders relative to Administering Amnesty Oaths and to the election on the 10th of October next, for the guidance of the Post Commander and also files of printed general orders, the Governors Proclamation and (470) blank Amnesty Oaths. You will not therefore be obliged to furnish Cop't, Andrews with copies of your instructions and orders relative to these subjects. But you will at the earliest moment furnish him with say 400 blanks for Amnesty Oaths and two Officers.

Very Respectfully
Your Ob't. Ser'vt.

A. C. Prety
1st Lieut, and A. A.A. J

One copy furnished
Copt Andrews
Com'd'g. Tampa

Head Quarters District of Middle Florida
2nd Separate Brigade D. F.
Tallahassee Sept. 1st 1865

Capt. J W. Andrews
Com'd'g Post. Tampa

Sir

The orders from these Hd Qrs., on the labor question which were issued for Company use are not to be executed by you for the reason that 1st Lieut. C. Seymour 2nd U. S. C. I. has been assigned to duty in the Freedmans Bureau for the sub. District of Key West, and to him belongs the solution of all questions that may arrise in connection with the interests of that class of the community. Should there be any actual necessity prior to the arrival of Lieut. Seymour at Tampa, you can apply the principles of those Orders in disposing of cases that may seem to you to demand immediate attention

By Command of
Brig. Gen'l Newton

Copy furnished
C. O. Sub District
Key West

A C Prety
1st Lieut and A. A. A. G.

Head Quarters Dist. of Middle Florida
2nd Separate Brigade D. F.
Tallahasse September 3 1865

To
The Com'd 'g. Officer
Sub District Key West

Sir:

Official information has been received at these Head Quarters from Washington that a plot exists to release prisoners at Fort Jefferson. You will take the proper precautions to prevent any uprising of the prisoners and in case you find this information to be correct take measures to ferrit out the leaders and place them in irons.

By Command of
Brig Gen'l Newton

A. C. Prety
1st Lieut. and A. A. A. G

Head Quarters Dist of Middle Florida
2nd Separate Brigade D. F.
Tallahassee Sept. 2nd 1865

Capt. J. W. Andrews
Com'd'g. Post Tampa Fla.

Sir

The enclose Poll Books you will deliver without fail to the persons to whom they are addressed. That is you will be responsible for their delivery

By Command of
Brig, Gen'l, Newton

A. C. Prety
1st Lieut and A. A. A. G.

Head Qr's., Dis't. of Middle Fla.
2nd Separate Brigade D. F.
Tallahassee Sept 3d 1865

Comdg. Officer 82nd U. S. C. I.
Chattahoochee Fla.

If this dispatch reaches you before the steamers which transported you to Chattahoochee or vicinity has returned you will reembark with your command to Appalachicola, where you will find Steamers awaiting you to take your Command to Fort Jefferson. In case the Steamers have left and you have no prospect of immediate transportation by water to Appalachicola you will march your command to this place immediately by rail if possible. Dispatch is essential. You will return a definite answer by Carrier as to what action you take in this matter, and when you expect to arrive here or at Appalachicola.

Two companies of your Regiment will be left at Appalachicola and one at Chattahoochee arsenal, according to previous orders. Col. Zularsky in person will report at Tallahassee according to previous orders.

By Command of
Brig Gen'l Newton

A. C. Prety
1st Lieut and A. A. A. G.

Head Qr's. Dist Middle Fla.
2nd Separate Brigade D. F.
Tallahassee Sept 4 1865

1st Lieut., W. N. Hutchinson
A. A. V. M.

Sir

The General Commanding directs that you place the U. S. Steamer Transport "Ella Morse" under Captain Harpers orders in so far as she can be used by him in sending a Co. of his Command on their way to Perry. This on condition that the boat is not needed for lightering.

Very Respecfully
Your Ob't. Serv't,

A. C. Prety
1st Lieut and A. A. A. G.

Head Qrs., Dist., Middle Fla.,
Tallahassee Sept 4 1865

Capt. E. S. Rigney
Comd'g. Post
Madison
Through Capt., Harper

Sir.

I have the honor to transcribe for your information the following endorsement made this day by the Gen'l. Commanding on the paper of Mr. Geo. E. McClellan which Maj. Gen'l. Foster had refered to him in order to ascertain whether corn is not needed for the poor of Madison County.

"Corn now in Madison Co. collected for distribution among the poor and needed in said county should not be transported to other places."

Respectfully returned.

Very Respectfully
Your Ob't. Serv't.,

A. C. Prety
1st Lieut and A. A. A. G

Head Qr's. Dist. of Middle Fla.
Tallahassee Sept. 4, 1865

Capt. J. W. Childs
2nd U. S. C. I.
Comd'g Battalion
Tallahassee Fla.

Sir:

You will direct Co. K. 2nd U. S. C. I. to report for duty to Maj., L. F. Dewey Ch'f of Arty and Ordinance at the same time you will cause to be detailed from this Co., 3 corporals and 18 privates under a Sergt., as guard at St. Marks during the absence of Capt Irelands Company. The men for St. Marks should go down tomorrow morning if possible reporting to Capt. Ireland with copy of these Orders. He could then instruct them in their duties before leaving his post.

A commissioned officer will be stationed at St. Marks to command the detachment if the arrangements can be made. In the meantime the details from Co. K. will go prepared to do duty without a commissioned Officer. It is expected that Capt. Ireland will return to St. Marks on the 20th of Oct. next. He leaves ofor Perry on Wednesday. Maj. Dewey does not require his detail until suitable Quarters in the City shall have been secured for them.

By Command of
Brig. Gen'l. Newton

A. C. Prety
1st Lieut and A. A. A. G.

You will so arrange it that the guards at St. Marks is changed every week. You may confirm the changes to Co. K.

Head Qr's. Dist., Middle Fla.,
Tallahassee Sept. 4, 1865

Comd'g. Officer
1st Fla. Cav.,
Tallahassee

Sir.

You will detail two mounted men to report without delay at Tallahassee to Capt. S. Conant, Provost Marshal General Dept., of Fla. for temporaty duty as couriers in distributing poll books.

By Command of
Brig., Gen'l, Newton

A. C. Prety
1st Lieut and A. A. A. G.

Head Qrs. Dist., of Middle Fla.
Tallahassee Sept 4 " 1865

Executive July 31st 1865. Case of Jas. D. Green
Late Captain 2nd Fla. Cav., Requests
Compensation for one years Service.
Respectfully returned to the Headquarters of the Department of Florida.

Captain Jas. D. Green was refused muster by the Ass't. Commissary of Muster for the District of Key West and Tortugas on the ground that he, Green, had previously declined to be mustered by his predecessor, Captain Bowers, A A G and A. C. M. which fact was so recorded, as reported by the A. C. M. to me. Capt E. B. Tracy A A A G and A. C M. who refused to muster Jas. D. Green, acted entirely upon his own responsibility, without instructions from me that the mustering regulations would not permit him to accord muster to said Green, and upon this report I recommended said Greens Commission to be revoked by the authority granting it.

Capt. Tracy was very soon afterward mortally wounded in an engagement with the rebels and has since died. At the time that Green was refused muster, the 2nd Fla., Cav. was being consolidated and re-organized under instructions from the Dept. of the Gulf. Most of the former officers were discharged for incompetancy or unfitness, upon recommendation of a Board of Examiners, by the Commanding General, of the Department of the Gulf.

This is in answer to one of many of Capt. Greens Communications conveying the same charges and insinuations against several Officers.

In June last I forwarded to the Adjutant General of the Army the statement of five officers in answer to Capt. Greens appeal for redress of grievances. Among these statements were those of Capt. Jas. Doyle 110th N. Y. V. Capt Ames 2nd U. S. C. T. and Capt., Crane formerly of the 2nd Florida Cavalry.

Capt. Doyle who was sent by me to restore discipline at Fort Myers and to procede against all culpable parties by prefering charges emphatically contradicts Green, who asserts that I directed him to compromise or smoothe over the charges preferred against Capt. Childs 2nd U. S. C. T. by said Green, and on the contrary asserts that he was sent as Commanding Officer of the Post, and specially deputized to inquire into Capt. Childs and others conduct, and to report whether he should be brought to trial upon Greens charges. Capt. Doyle investigated the charges, and reported that there was no necessity for such trial.

Capt. Crane in his statement says that Green was a disloyal man and a traitor and that he could substantiate the same under oath. All statements concur in representing Green to be a man of bad character.

The records in this case have been sent to the Adjutant Generals office, where I respectfully ask it may be sought and referred to. By change of Command I am separated from Official records and have to rely entirely upon memory.

B

Notwithstanding that Capt. Green has been refused muster by the former A. C. M of the District. I think he should be allowed to draw pay up to the date of General Hurlbutts order revoking his commission and am glad that I have the chance of so recommending.

The date of General Hurlbutts order revoking Greens Commission was Feb. 17 th 1865

A court has been ordered to try Capt. Childs as directed. I have had the opinion hitherto and I retain it still that the charges of Green against Capt. Childs are malicious and false.

John Newton
Brig. Gen'l., Commanding

The General Commanding directs me to subjoin my statement of facts in this case.

I know that Capt. Green refused Muster as is here explained, because it was to me that he so refused. I was Post Adjutant of Cedar Keys Fla., at that time. I have heard this man Green say that he intended to write an account of his troubles to the War Department regularly every two weeks and I believe that he has been carrying out his intention in this respect for the last four months at least.

A. C. Prety
1st Lieut, and Adj't 2nd Fla Cav.
A. A. A. G Hd Qrs. Dist.,
Middle Fla

(Apr 25 1938)

Head Quarters District Middle Fla.,
Tallahassee Sept 5 1865

1st Lieut W. H. Hutchinson
A. A. Q.M.
Tallahassee,

Sir.

Major E. C. Weeks 2nd Fla. Cav., having received orders from the Gen. Comd'g. to visit the Posts in Middle Fla. from time to time untill further orders, you will furnish him with transportation on the Rail Road to be used whenever he may be in discharge of such duty. Your order will include transportation for his horse.

By order of
Brig., Gen'l., Newton

A. C. Prety
1st Lieut and A. A. A. G.

Head Qr's., District Middle Fla.
Tallahassee Sept 4 1865

Capt., E. C. Woodruff
A A A G. Hd Qrs Dept of Fla.

Sir.

I have the honor to transmit herewith the weekly station and effective force report of the District of Middle Florida for Monday Sept. 4 1865

Very Respectfully
Your Ob't. Servant

Brig. Gen'l. Commanding

Head Qrs., District of Middle Fla.
Tallahassee Sept 6, 1865

1st Lieut W. H. Hutchinson
A. A. Q. M.

Sir.

You will at once give the McCullum sailing Orders to proceed with the least possible delay to Appalachicola for the purpose of assisting in transporting the 82nd U. S. C. I. to Tortugas. From Appalachicola she is to go to Key West for coal, via of Tortugas if necessary. From Key West she is to return to St. Marks with all possible dispatch.

By Command of
Brig Gen'l Newton

A. C Prety
1st Lieut and A. A. A. G.

Head Quarters District of Middle Florida
Tallahassee Sept 6th 1865

Mr. Thomas Beltzell

Sir

The General Commanding directs me to inform you that the house at Appalachicola mentioned in your letter of August 23d has been turned over by the Military Authorities to Mr. W. H Noble Sup. Special Agent, of the U. S. Treasury Department.

Very Respectfully
Your Ob't., Sevt.

A. C. Prety
1st Lieut and A. A. A. G.

Head Quarters District Middle Florida
Tallahassee Sept 11 1865

Capt. J. W. Childs
U. S. C. T.
Comd'g., Post of Tallahassee

Captain

Numerous complaints having reached the General Commanding of the untidiness of the chambers of the Hotel kept by Mr. Magoffin. You are instructed to inform him that unless an immediate reform is made, a licence to keep Hotel will be refused him. A complaint was made against Magoffin yesterday.

You are likewise required to keep a watch over the liquor room to see that the Printed liquor regulations are not violated and inform Mr. Magoffin of this likewise.

By Command of
Bri'g. Gen'l. Newton.

A. C. Prety.
1stLieut and A. A. A. G

Head Quarters District Middle Fla.
Sept. 10th 1865
C. C. Post of Tallahassee

Sir

You will allow the clerk of the Circuit Court of Leon County to issue marriage licenses and to transact the ordinary business of the office

By Command of
Brig. Gen'l Newton

A. C. Prety
1st Lieut and A. A. A. G.

Head Quarters District of Middle Fla.
Tallahassee Sept 12 1865

Col., Wm. H. Nobles.
Asst., Sup. Special Agent U S Treasury Dept
Appalachicola Fla.

Sir

Understanding that a number of houses and lots belonging to former rebels have been turned over to you by the late Commander of the Post of Appalachicola, Col. Zularsky and doubts existing in my mind of the propriety of seisure in the first instance. I have the honor to request that, if the supposition above be correct, you will return the same to the owners under such instructions as the rules of your Dept. may enjoin.

I am Very Respectfully
Your Ob't. Sevt

Brig. Gen'l. Commanding

Head Qrs. Dist., Middle Fla.
Tallahassee Sept 13 1865

General.

I have to return the within accounts current, with the remarks that the amount of $500,-was turned over to me by Col. Harai Robinson 151st La, Cavalry Pro. Marshall General Dep't. of the Gulf, by direction of the Dept. Commander for secret service purposes.

Col. Robinson told me to account to the 2nd Auditor for the sum.

This is all the information I posess on the subject.

I have the honor to be
Your Most Ob't. Sev't.

Bri'g Gen'l Commanding

Bro't., Maj, Gen'l, L. Thomas
Adjutant General U. S. Army
Washington D. C.

Head Quarters District Middle Fla.
Tallahassee Sept 14 1865

By permission of the Major Gen'l. Commanding the Department, the firm of Baer and Rosenfield are hereby allowed to sell powder, shot and caps in the following quantities. Viz..
Rifle Powder (100) one hundred pounds
Shot four hundred (400) prts
Percussion Caps 50,000

J. M. Bromford
1st Lieut and A. A. A. G.

Head Qrs. Dist of Middle Fla..
Tallahassee Fla. Sept 15 1865

Brev't Major Gen'l., L.T. homas
Adjutant General U. S. A.
Washington D. C.

General.

I have the honor to report that I have this day approfed the selection of Michael McCormick as Sutler of the 99th U. S. C. I. made by the Officers of said Regiment.

I am General
Very Respectfully
Your Ob't., Sev't.,

Brig Gen'l Commanding

Head Qrs District of Middle Fla
Tallahassee Sept 15th 1865

General.

There having been reported to me that many enlisted men belonging to the 1st and 2nd Regiments Florida Cavalry, Now consolidated as the 1st Florida Cavalry have deserted from various causes, the principal being to provide for destitute families. I have to request a pardon for such deserters who may report at any Military Post on or before the 20th of October next.

I have the honor to be
Your Obd't, Serv't.,

Brig. Gen'l. Comd'g.

Brvt Brig Gen Chas. Mundee
Assistant Adjutant General
Hd. Qrs, Dept of Florida

Head Quarters District of Middle Florida
Tallahassee Sept 16th 1865

Captain

I am instructed by the General Commanding the District to notify you that it is left at your descretion whether or not the Shop refered to in the petition of U. S. Bassett, be retained for the use of the Quartermasters Department,

I am Captain
Very Respectfully
Your Ob't., Serv't.

1st Lieut 7th Infantry
and A. A. A. G.

Capt. M. Martin
A. Q. M.
Chief Q M Dist of Middle Fla.

Head Quarters District of Middle Florida
Tallahassee Sept 18th 1865

Capt. J. F. Little
Provost Marshal
Post of Tallahassee

Captain

You will retain the negro "Sip" sent by Capt. Rigney 99th U. S. C. I. untill further orders.

By orders of
General Newton

1st Lieut., and A. A. A. G.

Head Quarters District of Middle Florida
Tallahassee Sept 18th 1865

Captain

I have the honor to enclose your Communication of Sept 15th 1865 and call your attention to endorsement thereon, also telegram from Lieut A. A. Knight, Provost Marshal Lake City. It is not understood at these Headquarters whether the telegram in question refers to the man "Sip" or some other person. If it does refer to the negro above named you will advise Lieut Knight upon the subject in order that he may prefer charges against the man and request him to forward them to these Headquarters.

I am Captain
Very Respectfully
Your Ob't., Serv't,

1st Lieut 7th U. S. Infantry
and A. A. A. G.

Capt, E. M. Rigney
99th U. S. C. I.
Comdg. Post Madison

Head Quarters District of Middle Florida
Tallahassee Sept., 18 th 1865

Sir

Can you furnish the men required in enclosed letter for Hd. Qr's., Dept of Fla.

If so please send up a list of their full names and companies. Please return the enclosed letter.

Very Respectfully

1st Lieut., 7 th., U. S. Infantry
and A. A. A. G.

Comdg Officer
Det. 161 N. Y. V.
Tallahassee Fla.

Head Quarters District of Middle Florida
Tallahassee Sept., 19th 1865

Captain

Your communication of the 10th inst. has been received and in answer I am instructed to inform you that if the Commanding Officer of the Post of Appalachicola is your Junior in rank you will make your reports to these Headquarters. You will, however, draw your supplies from the post of Appalachicola. You will communicate with these Headquarters via; of Quincy and Captain Pease, Comd'g. at that place will forward all reports etc. to this point.

Please causenthe witnesses in the case of Private Willis Johnson Co., F. 82nd U. S. C. I. to be sent here without delay, as well as the prisoner in question.

Very Respectfully C. G.

1st Lieut and A. A. A. G.

Capt. T. James
82nd U S C I Comd'g., Post
of Chattahoochee

Head Quarters District of Middle Florida
Tallahassee Sept. 19 th 1865

Captain

I am instructed by the Gen. Comd'g., Dist., to request that you will forward all papers sent through you to Comdg. Officer Post of Chattahoochee, and to these Headquarters all official matter from that point.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt., Serv't.

1st Lieut and A. A. A. G.

Can't., E. Pease
2nd U. S. C. I.
Comdg. Post Quincy Fla.

Head Quarters District Middle Florida
Tallahassee Sept., 19 1865

Brevet Brig., Gen., C. Mundee
Asst., Adjt. General,
Dept., of Florida.

General

Agreeably to the direction of the General commanding the Department. I have the honor to enclose herewith a list of the names and stations (as far as known) of all assistant and acting assistant Quartermasters under by command.

I am General
Your Obt., Serv't.,

Brigadier General Commanding

Head Quarters District of Middle Florida.
Sept 19th 1865

General.

I have respectfully to ask that I may not be compelled to detail an Officer to report to Col. Osborne Asst. Commisary Bureau of Refugees, for the reason that my officers are not only on duty but on full duty.

I am very Respectfully
Your most Ob't., Serv't.

Brig., Genl., Com'd'g.

Head Quarters District of Middle Florida
Tallahassee 20th 1865

Capt., J. F. Little
Pro. Marshal Post
Tallahassee

Captain

Release Corporal Duggars 2nd Fla., Cav., and order him to report to these Head Quarters immediately.

Very Respectfully
Your Ob't. Servant

1st Lieut 7th U. S. Inft.
A. A. A. G.

(Apr 25 1938)

Head Quarters Dist. of Middle Fla.,
Tallahassee Sept. 20th 1865

Major E. C Weeks

Sir

I am instructed by the Genl., Com'd'g., Dist., to require you to limit the extreme duration of the furloughs granted to the men of the five Companies of the 2nd Fla. Cav., under your command. Agreeable to the provisions of Par., 2 special Orders No. 32. Headquarters Dist. of Middle Fla. date Sept 19 1865 to Oct. 20th 1865. You will commence granting furloughs to those living in remote places and so arrange for their respective departures that the men living at remote places may have time to reach their homes.

I am very Respectfully
Your Ob't, Servt

1st Lieut and A. A. A. G.

Head Quarters District of Middle Florida
Tallahassee Sept 20 th 1865

General.

I have the honor to make application for an Ass't. Adjt. Gen'l. Quartermaster and Commisary of Subsistance for duty at these Headquarters.

The necessity for their services is urgent. If consistant with the interests of the service I would request that Major Wm Russell Jr. A. A. A. G. of Vols. be ordered to report to me.

I have the honor to be
Your Ob't., Servant

Brig. Genl. Com'd'g.

(Apr 25 1938)

Head Quarters District of Middle Florida
Tallahassee Sept. 21 1865

Major

Upon receipt of this letter the Gen'l. Comd'g. Desires you to send down the Suwannee River a party of your men under the charge of a Commissioned Officer for the purposes, as set forth in the "Memmoranda" from Maj. Gen'. Foster which are enclosed.

The General Suggests that the detail should be of the party sent to Lafayette county to vote and that both Services might, with convenience to the men, be performed.

I am very Respectfully
Your Obedient Servant

1st Lieut 7 th Inft. & A. A. A. G.

Head Quarters District of Middle Florida
Tallahassee Sept. 21 1865

To
T. J. Eppes Esqr.,
Monticello Fla.

Sir

I am instructed by General Newton to acknowledge the receipt of a letter written by you to General Foster Comd'g. Department concerning damages done to property of Thomas Orman Esq., alleged to have been committed by troops under the command of Col. Zularsky at Appalachicola, and refered to these Hd. Qrs. for investigation and report.

All papers affidavits & c concerning the matter above mentioned will be sent to this Office. The statements must be clearly made and in detail.

I am Sir
Very Respectfully
Your Obedient Servant

1st Lieut 7thInft. & A. A. A. G.

(Apr 25 1938)

Head Quarters District of Middle Florida
Tallahassee Sept 24 1865

Maj. A. C. Weeks
Comdg. 1st Fla. Cav.,

Major

Your Communications of Sept 23 are received. The General Commanding directs that you send in charges against the men engaged in the disturbance on the night of 21st with a list of witnesses in each case.

I am very Respectfully
your Obt., Servt.,

1st Lieut and A. A. A. G.

Head Quarters District of Middle Florida
Tallahassee Sept. 1st 1865

Brig. Gen'l Joseph C. Holt
Judge Advocate General U. S. A

Sir

I have the honor to transmit herewith the original proceedings of a general Court Martial, which tried the twenty three cases with sentences promulgated in the accompanying copy of G. O. No 7 from these Headquarters, date of August 26 th 1865.

Very Respectfully
Your Obedient Servant

Brig. Gen'l. Comdg.,

Head Quarters District of Middle Florida
Tallahassee Aug, 26th 1865

Brig. Gen'l. L. Thomas
Adjutant General U. S. Army
Washington D. C.

Sir

I have the honor to report in comoliance with G. O. No 253 from the War Dept., A. G. O. series of 1864 that I have this day confirmed the Sentence of a General Court Martial in the case of 1st Lieut Willard Cheney Comd'g. Co., M. 2nd U. S. C. T. as contained in the accompanying copy of G. O. No. 7 current series Head Quarters Dist. of Middle Florida.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servant

Brig. Gen'l., Vol., Commanding

Head Quarters District of Middle Florida
Tallahassee Sept. 20th 1865

Brevet Brig. Genl. Chas Mundee
Asst Adjt Genl. Dept of Fla.
Tallahassee

Sir

I have the honor to transmit herewith the Tri-monthly report of troops serving in the District of Middle Florida for ten days ending September 20th 1865.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servant

Brig., Gen'l., Comdg.

Head Quarters District of Middle Florida
Tallahassee Sept. 25 1865

Capt. E. Pease
Comd'g., Post of Quincy

Sir

As the sentence in the case of Wm. Goodwin citizen does not specify to whom the fine is to be paid, whether to the United States or to the injured party. You are hereby directed to pay over the amount to Mrs. Bibs or as much as will reimburse her, the remainder--if any-- to be forwarded to the Provost Marshal General of the Department.

By order of
Gen Newton

1st Lieut and A. A. A. G.

Hd Qrs. District of Middle Florida
Tallahassee Sept. 25 1865

Major E. C. Weeks
Comd'g. 1st (consolidated) Fla. Cav.

Major:

The General Comd'g., directs that you use every endeavor to ascertain the names of the men of your command guilty of breaking into the jail at Monticello some days ago.

Failing to obtain sufficient evidence against any of the men concerned it may be necessary to prefer charges against all the enlisted of the East Fla. Cavalry present in Monticello at the time of the disturbance above mentioned, placing upon the list of witnesses the names of the whole company

The Company of East Fla Cav. are to be kept disarmed for the present and all the while engaged on fatigue duty.

The General desires that you do the best you can to find out the guilty scamps in the late disturbance at your post so that they may be brought to Justice.

Very Respectfully
Your Obt. Servant

1st Lieut and A. A. A. G.

(Apr 25 1938)

Head Quarters Dist., of Middle Florida
Office of the Asst. Adjt. General
Tallahassee August 1st 1865

Brig Gen'l. L. Thomas
Adjt. Gen'l. U. S. Army
Washington D. C.

Sir

I have the honor to report in compliance with par, 468 Revised Army Regulations Edition 1863, that on the 6th of July 1865 I was announced as A. A. A. G. on the staff of Brig. Gen'l J Newton. Com'd'g., the District of Fla., and that iI am stationed at Tallahassee on duty as above stated

Very Respectfully
Your Ob't., Servant

1st Lieut & Adjt. 2nd Fla. Cavalry
A. A. A. G. Hd.Qrs., Dept., of Fla.

Head Quarters District of Middle Florida
Office of the Asst. Adjt., General.
Tallahassee Sept. 1st 1865

Brig., Gen'l. L., Thomas
Adjutant General U. S. Army
Washington D. C.

Sir

I have the honor to report in compliance with par., 468 Revised Regulations Edition 1863 that I continued on duty as A. A. A. G. on the Staff., of Brig. Gen'l J. Newton Com'd'g., the District of Fla., at Tallahassee untill August 10 1865 when I was announced as A. A. A. G. on Gen'l Newtons Staff upon his taking Command of the Dist of Middle Florida and that I am stationed at Tallahassee on duty as above stated.

Very Respectfully
Your Ob't., Servant

1st Lieut & Adj't., 2nd Fla.Cav.,
A. A. A. G. Hd Qrs. Dist MiddleF Fla.

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